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Cc: Mayor Charlie Hales; Commissioner Nick Fish; Commissioner Steve Novick; Commissioner Amanda Fritz; Commissioner Dan Saltzman

Subject: Our economy needs to be considered in the clean up

I practiced law for 35 years with Oregon businesses and have served on many civic boards and I have a real concern about the potential cost of a clean up. A number of well meaning people have some notion that large foreign corporations will pay for this clean-up-they have no idea that they will pay for it one way or another.

A massive cleanup plan of the Willamette is easy to order. But I'm concerned that it will also come with unintended consequences of big new costs for government and utilities. We have so many people that are already struggling to keep up with their bills.

Thank you for recognizing that there is a real cost to employers for this cleanup. And thank you for everything you're doing to protect our river. But the clean up has to be cost effective and not cause an increase in taxes, water and utility costs and close down the port.

Sincerely,

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